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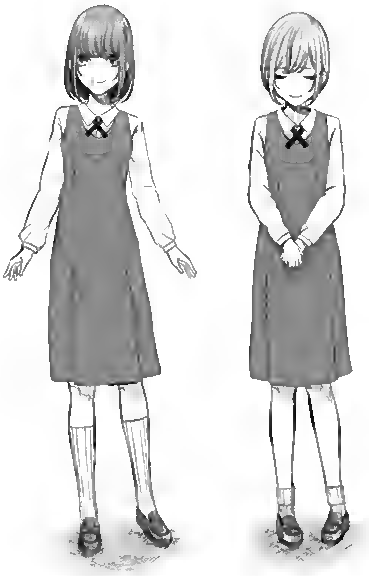
SPECIAL CHAPTER: SARA AND KANON PART 1



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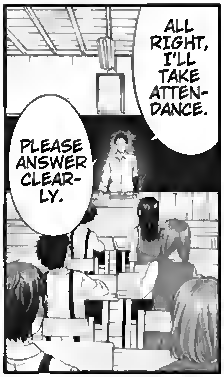
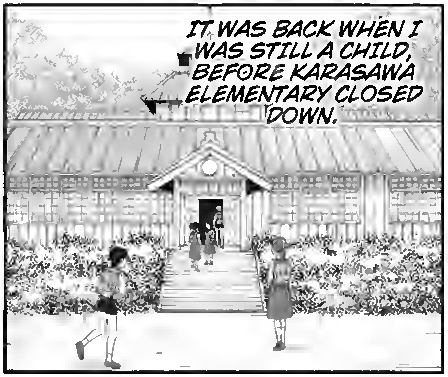
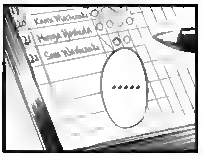
ORIGINAL STORY
KOEI TECMO GAMES







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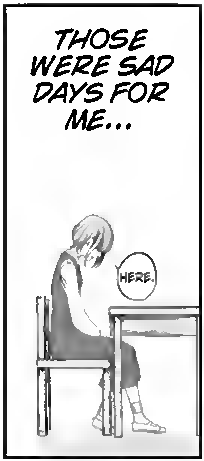
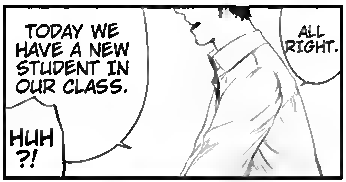
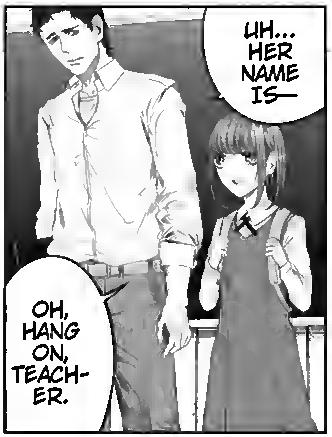


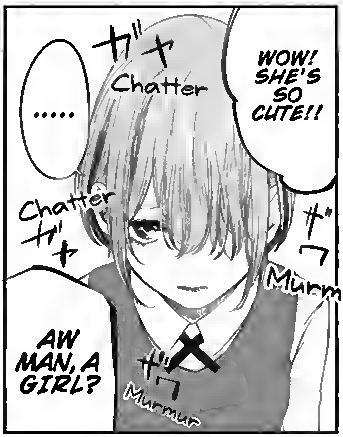


THOSE WERE NOT DAYS I REMEMBER FONDLY AT ALL...

BUT THAT DAY WAS DIFFERENT.

Whoosh

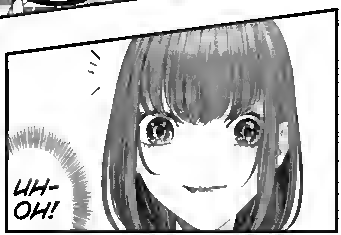

UH... HER NAME IS—
OH, HANG ON, TEACH-ER.


WOW! SHE'S SO CUTE!!
Chatter
.....
Chatter
Murmur
AW MAN, A GIRL?
Murmur

...CAN DO IT MYSELF.
I...

I'M KANON OHTORI!
FWSH!!
IT'S NICE TO MEET YOU!

WH-?!


UH-OH!

OH NO, I CAUGHT HER EYE.
Murmur
I-IT'S GOOD TO SEE THAT YOU'RE SO ENERGETIC NOW. PLEASE TAKE YOUR SEAT.
Murmur

Tmp
Tmp
PHEW...
HEY!
#"
mutter
#"
mutter
...!!
WHAT'S YOUR NAME?
HUH?!
WH-WHAT?! WHY'S SHE...
I'M... SARA... WASHIZUKI...
HMM, OKAY, I'LL CALL YOU SARA-CHAN!
.....

YOU SHOULD TRY NOT TO TALK TO ME.
...NO.
Gasp
YOU CAN CALL ME KANON IF YOU WANT!
WH-?
BUT...
NICE TO MEET YOU!
.....
TELL ME! PLEASE?
HMM.
BUT THEN I WON'T KNOW!
Whisper
Whisper
Whisper
I DON'T... WANT TO SAY.
WHAT? HOW COME?
Whisper
Fwsh
AH!
...?
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WELL...
UM... OHTORI-SAN?

HERE'S THE THING, OHTORI-SAN...
IT'S JUST A RUMOR, BUT WE HEARD IF YOU HANG OUT WITH WASHIZUKI, GHOSTS WILL...
GHOSTS?
YEAH.. THERE'S THIS SHRINE AROUND HERE THAT'S REALLY FAMOUS FOR GHOSTS... KARASAWA SHRINE.
WASHIZUKI-SAN LIVES THERE, AND THEY SAY HER FAMILY HAS THE ABILITY TO SEE GHOSTS AND STUFF!
SHE CAN TALK TO GHOSTS OR SOME-THING? IT'S REALLY SCARY...
SO THEY SAY IF YOU HANG OUT WITH HER, GHOSTS WILL START POSSESSING YOU AND YOU'LL GET REALLY UNLUCKY. SO DON'T GO NEAR HER.
MY MOM TOLD ME.
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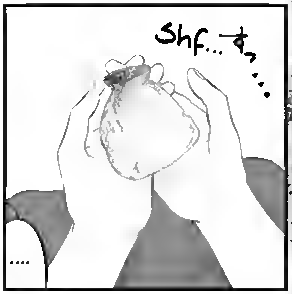
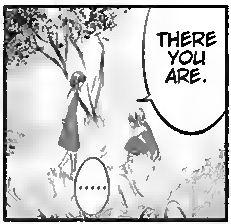
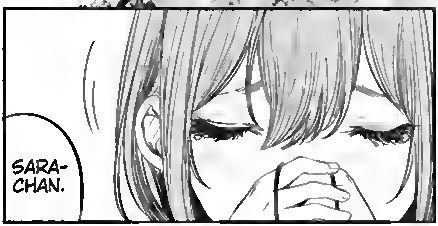
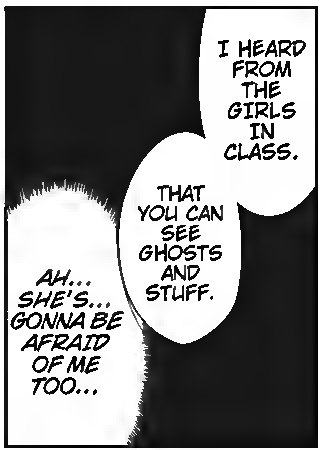




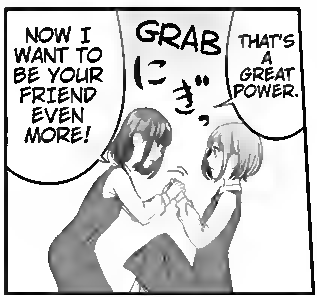




I JUST WISH WE COULD'VE TALKED A LITTLE BIT...

SARA-CHAN...

SHIIINE
THAT'S ...
...SO AWE-SOME!!


NOW I WANT TO BE YOUR FRIEND EVEN MORE!
GRAB
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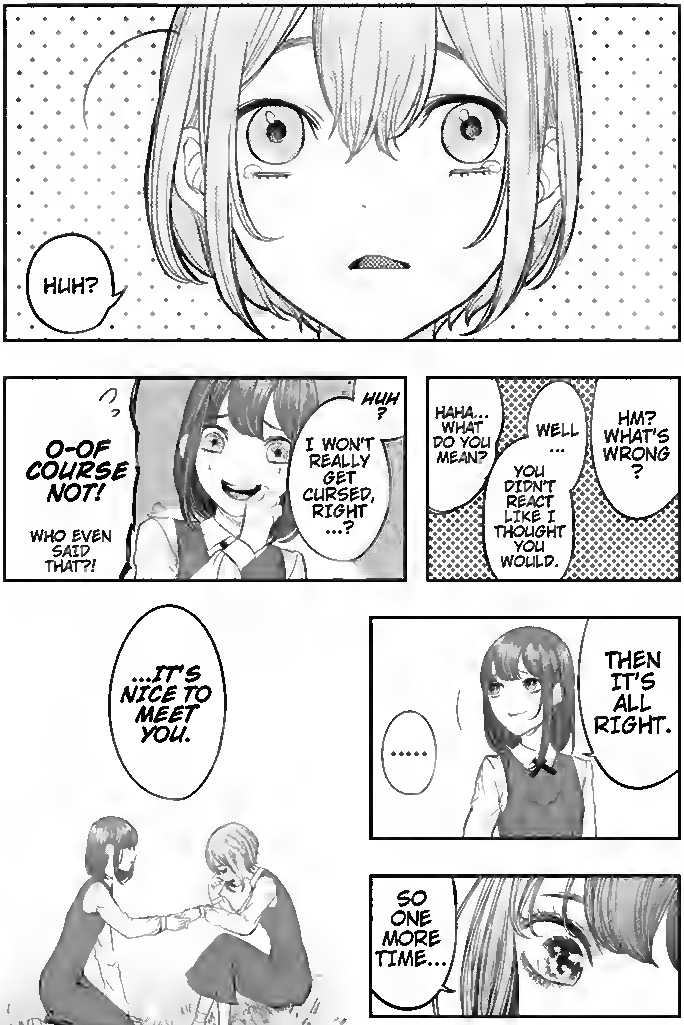
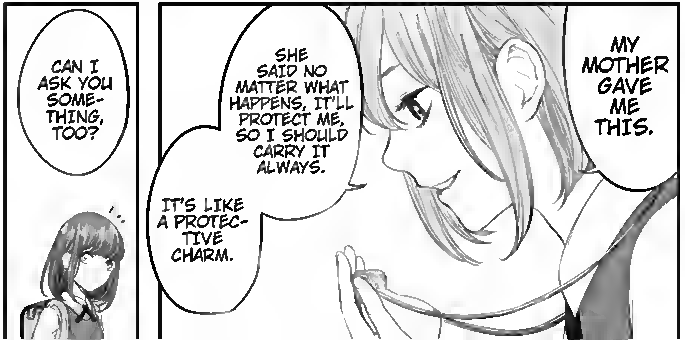
THAT'S A GREAT POWER.

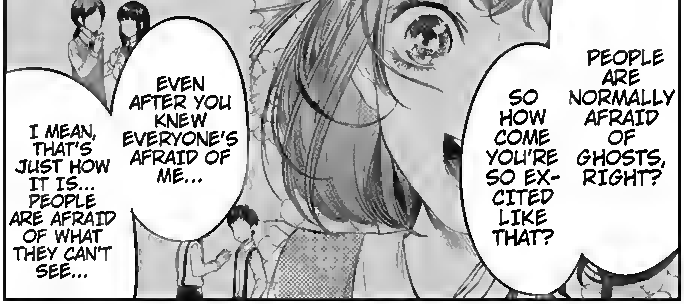
NOT ONLY THAT, BUT YOU CAN TALK TO THEM, TOO?
I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU CAN SEE GHOSTS!

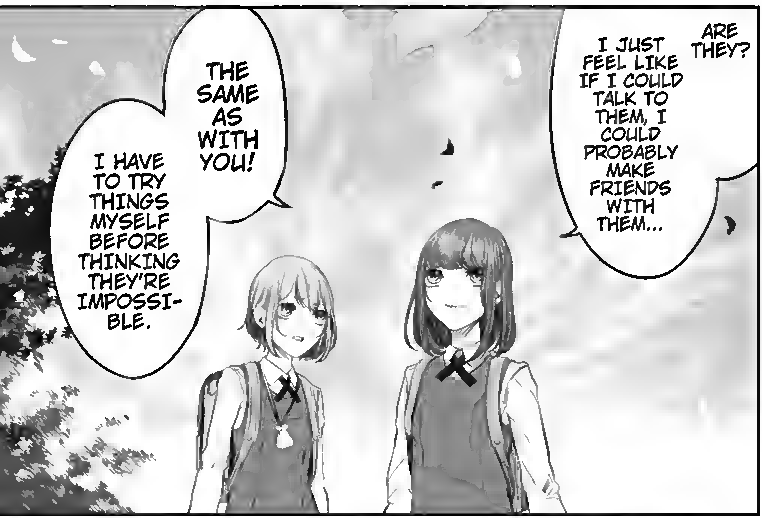

HUH?
HUH?
I WON'T REALLY GET CURSED, RIGHT...?
O-OF COURSE NOT!
WHO EVEN SAID THAT?!
HM? WHAT'S WRONG?
WELL...
YOU DIDN'T REACT LIKE I THOUGHT YOU WOULD.
HAHA.. WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
THEN IT'S ALL RIGHT.
.....
...IT'S NICE TO MEET YOU.
SO ONE MORE TIME...

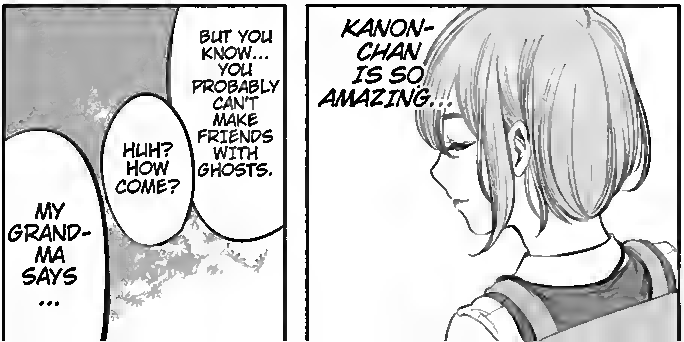
NOW I'M EXCITED.
OH, WHAT'S THAT AROUND YOUR NECK?
THIS?

WHERE ARE WE GOING?
THIS IS MY SECRET PLACE.


CAN I ASK YOU SOME-THING, TOO?
!..
IT'S LIKE A PROTEC-TIVE CHARM.
SHE SAID NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS, IT'LL PROTECT ME, SO I SHOULD CARRY IT ALWAYS.
MY MOTHER GAVE ME THIS.

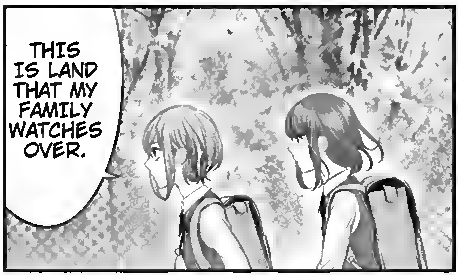

PEOPLE ARE NORMALLY AFRAID OF GHOSTS, RIGHT?
SO HOW COME YOU'RE SO EX-CITED LIKE THAT?
EVEN AFTER YOU KNEW EVERYONE'S AFRAID OF ME...
I MEAN, THAT'S JUST HOW IT IS... PEOPLE ARE AFRAID OF WHAT THEY CAN'T SEE...

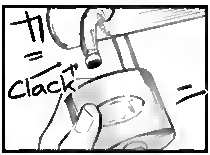

ARE THEY?
I JUST FEEL LIKE IF I COULD TALK TO THEM, I COULD PROBABLY MAKE FRIENDS WITH THEM...
THE SAME AS WITH YOU!
I HAVE TO TRY THINGS MYSELF BEFORE THINKING THEY'RE IMPOSSI-BLE.

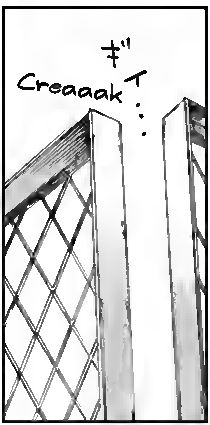

KANON-CHAN IS SO AMAZING...
BUT YOU KNOW... YOU PROBABLY CAN'T MAKE FRIENDS WITH GHOSTS.
HUH? HOW COME?
MY GRAND-MA SAYS ...

YOU'LL BE POSSESSED AND CURSED!
SPIRITS THAT REMAIN IN THIS WORLD ARE SEIZED BY A STUBBORNNESS THAT KNOWS NEITHER GOOD NOR EVIL...
DON'T GET CLOSE TO THEM... DON'T BECOME INVOLVED WITH THEM... IF YOU DO...
WH-WHAT?!
HA HA HA!
REMEMBER THAT.
Poik
POKE!

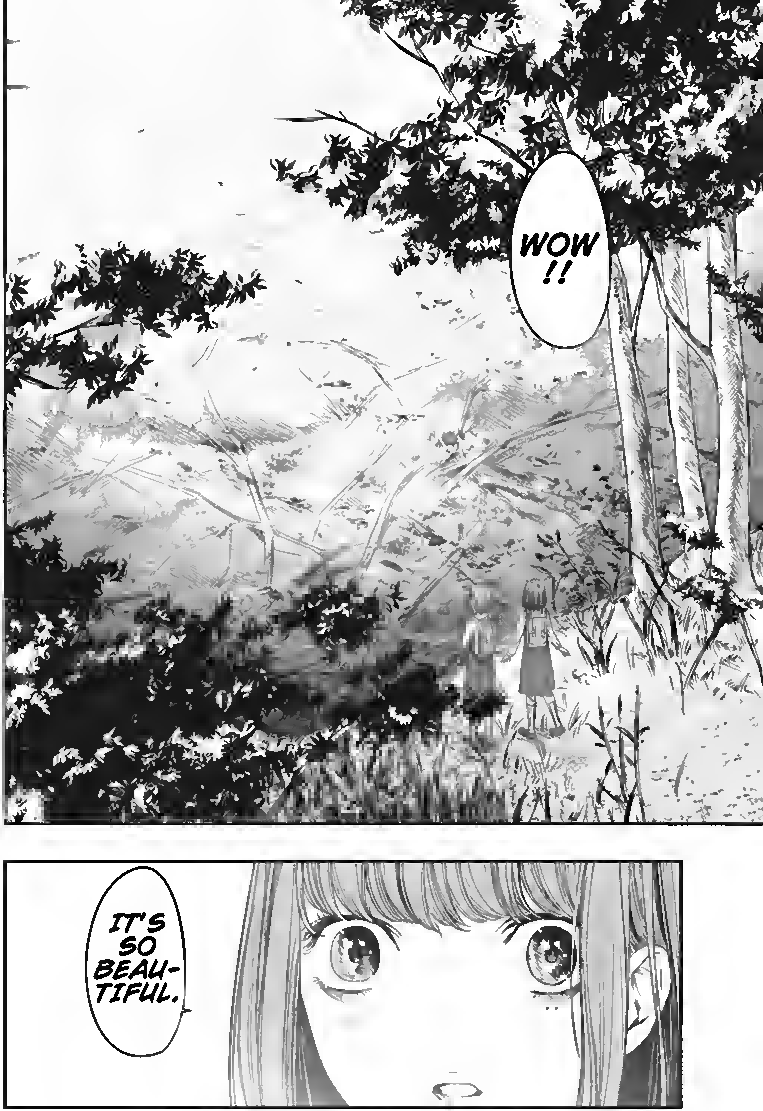
IS THIS IT?
IT'S IN HERE.
NO WAY!


THIS IS LAND THAT MY FAMILY WATCHES OVER.

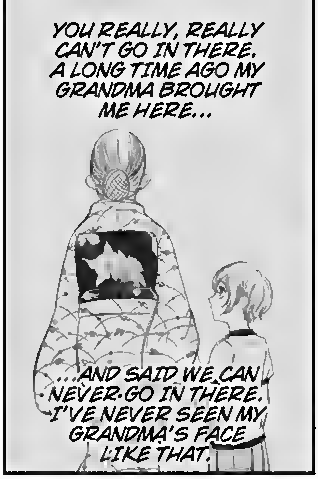

Clack

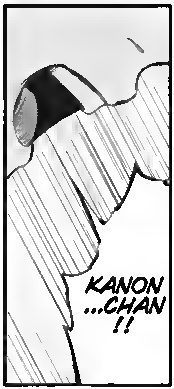

Creaaak

HMMM...
WE'RE HERE!


WOW !!
IT'S SO BEAU-TIFUL.

YOU'RE RIGHT.
THANK YOU FOR BRING-ING ME HERE.
I DON'T KNOW WHY, BUT THE WATER HERE STAYS COMPLETELY CLEAR.
IT'S NOT A GHOST, BUT IT'S PRETTY MYSTERI-OUS.
HM?
WOOOOSH
HEY, WHAT'S IN THERE ...?
WE CAN'T GO THERE.
THEY SAY THERE ARE REALLY SCARY GHOSTS THERE, SO WE CAN'T GO IN.
FWSHHHHHHH


YOU REALLY, REALLY CAN'T GO IN THERE. A LONG TIME AGO MY GRANDMA BROUGHT ME HERE...
...AND SAID WE CAN NEVER GO IN THERE. I'VE NEVER SEEN MY GRANDMA'S FACE LIKE THAT.


KANON ...CHAN !!

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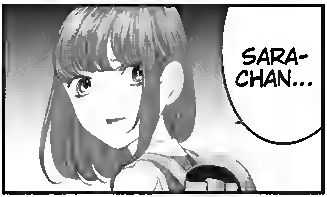
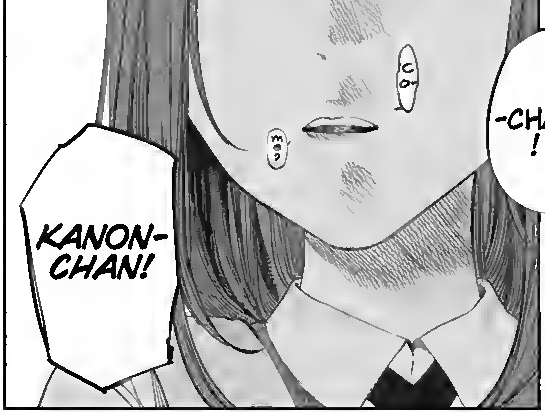
OOH! GHOSTS ?!

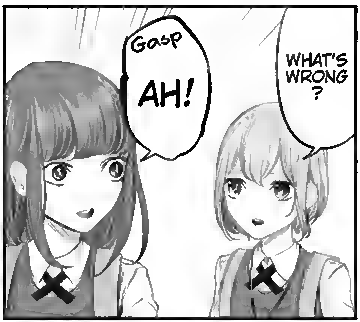
WSHHHH


SARA-CHAN...

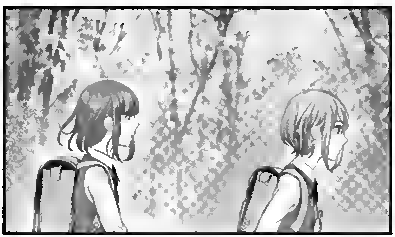
-ME...


KANON-CHAN!
-CHAN!
COME...
OVER...
THERE?

IT'S GETTING DARK. LET'S GO HOME.
Y-YEAH, OKAY.


Gasp
AH!
WHAT'S WRONG?

.....
Whoosh



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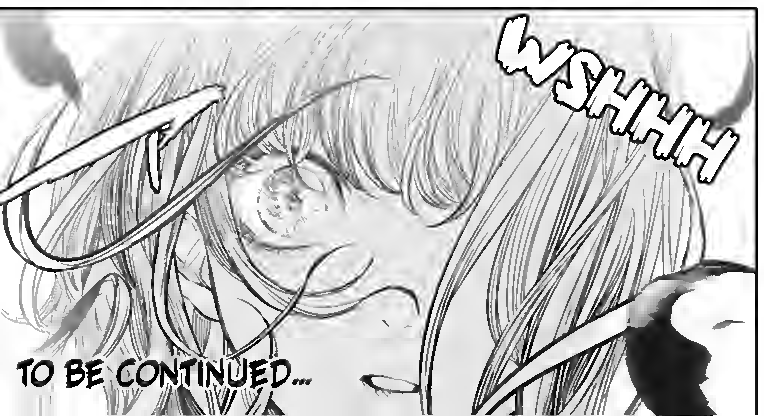
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